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Serial No.:	10/714,524	Confirmation No.:	2224
Filed:	11-14-2003	Art Unit:	2874
Customer No.:	000038731	Examiner:	Kim, Ellen E
Title:	OPTICAL FIBER AND SYSTEM CONTAINING SAME		

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 26, 2006 in the above-identified patent application, the date for response to which is extended by two months to December 26, 2006 by the accompanying Request for Two Month Extension of Time included below, Applicants file electronically this Response and Amendment.

Amendments to the Specification are reflected in the listing of paragraphs which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 25 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 26 of this paper.